



The next meeting will be held in the Royal Society Room, Tasmanian Museum, on Thursday, October 17th, at 7.45 p.m.

Mr. H. Boss-Walker.

Friendship with Birds.

This talk will include the showing of many of his slides taken of Fern Tree birds.

Date - Saturday Oct. 19th

Destination - Adamson's Falls.

Meet - Prince Theatre.

Time - note..... 8.30.a.m.

Transport - Private.

As the Falls are somewhere in the vicinity of Hastings Caves, an early start is essential. There will be some walking in from the road, so be prepared to carry your lunch.

Among publications received -

Aus. Naturalist - it seems they, too, have a 'Flinders Island' and it has had an endemic wallaby although they are hoping it is not extinct and the intending care of the remaining scrub lands will encourage its survival, if, indeed, there is still a colony in existence.

National Parks and Wildlife Report year ended
June, 1973.

Brochure - "Environmental Conservation."

Quote - 'The international Journal devoted to maintaining global viability through exposing and containing environmental deterioration resulting from human population pressure and unwise technology.'

Quarterly journal, published in Switzerland.

Sub. 1974 - approx. U.S. \$41.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Your Committee met on Monday, October 2nd and dealt with the following matters:-
 Such correspondence; financial matters; membership (welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Williams, and others); Clubs to Jan. 1st; items for the Club's environment; congratulatory letters to club re publication of Tasmanian Bird; the November for outing; and programme for the rest of this year and the early 1975. Also, suggestions for a letter book, 1975. The evening concluded with a 'dinner and drink'.

The next committee meeting will be on Wednesday, December 4th.

Owing to high cost of postage, the NEWS LETTER will be sent - please put this date in your diary and determine to be there for the last meeting, 1974

INVITATION

The Tasmanian Field Naturalists are having a weekend at Weymouth, Nov. 2,3,4. (We Lorth have a Monday holiday!) There is plenty of room in the clearing shed at McLoughlin's (Tam-e'-center), and Tasmanian Field Nats member would be welcome.

(Those going will need to bring all sleeping gear, food etc.etc.).

Federation of Field Naturalists' Clubs....

Three members of this Club expect to attend the camp at Gould's Country, and the meeting which will be held at 2.p.m. on the Saturday.

Following Dr. Guiler's slides of African animals, a member has sent in a press item on GNUS..... The information comes from Kenya, where the gnu - or wildebeast - migrate out of Tanzania's Serengeti national park, across the border into Kenya, looking for new pastures. Where they see a sign of rain in the distance, they start to move towards it. But this year, because of the unusual rain pattern they have started moving towards Kenya too early.

Then they see rain where they came from and start to go back again.

There are hundreds of thousands of gum on the move. From the air the migration of the herds is indeed a fantastic sight. Across the plains of Berengeti and Seronera one can see vast black patches of animals connected by single threads like black string. These 'strings' are nose-to-tail files of wildebeest trotting from one gathering area into the next.

At Kenya's famous Keekoroko game lodge the influx provided a bumper bonus for animal watchers and photographers. The herds have filed right past the lodge within a few yards. Guests were able to sit on the verandah and see the parade go by.

Then, because of the confused weather, the animals have trotted back again for a repeat performance.

(This item came from Michael Malik, of Reuter, Keekoroko, Kenya.)

TURN OVER FOR BUS INFORMATION AND BOOKING FORM

ADULT EDUCATION BOARD - weekend at The Grange -

Several members of this Club attended this weekend which was organised by Burnie A.E.B. and led by Mr. M.S.R. Sharland. Mr. John Dimmons showed many of his nature slides on the Saturday evening, and during the day trips were made to various places round Campbell Town. About 47 different birds were spotted in the two days - quite a good score and this added plenty of interest and improved the knowledge of us all. This was really a gathering of 'like-minded' people from various parts of Tasmania and it was good to get to know other enthusiasts.

Perhaps there will be another weekend of this kind next year?.... very worthwhile.

NOVEMBER BUS OUTING

Date - Saturday, November 23rd.

Meet - Prince Theatre.

Time - to leave at 9.30 a.m.

Return - between 5 and 5.30 p.m.

Destination - Tahune Forest Reserve.

Leader - Member of B.O.A.T.

Cost - Adults \$3.00. Some free seats for Juniors.

Please fill in this form and send, with money, to

Miss F.E. Warren
Flat 75, Block 8.
131 Hill Street
West Hobart. 7000

ON or BEFORE

Club meeting, October 17th.

Please reserve seats for _____ adults; _____ Juniors.

Enclosed \$ _____

Names of participants:-

Adults

Juniors

Signed _____ Date _____

Remarks (if any!)

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